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The Blood of Jesus ~ ~

There came to this office on November 19th, 1939, a letter from which I quote in part. The letter came from Pittsburgh, Pa., and the initials of the lady sending it are G. A. We quote in part from that letter:

"Your Lessons took me away from my childhood teachings. You see, I believe that I am saved by the Blood of Jesus. I believe that I can talk with God and He will hear me if I ask in Jesus' name. You may be doing a very good work, and I wish you success. But I cannot think of Jesus as being one of the world crucified saviors. He is my own personal savior and that's all I want."

I want to analyze that letter a bit this morning, because there are hundreds of thousands of honest souls who believe, or rather who have the same ideas this lady has. And right at the beginning, I shall unhesitatingly grant them all a perfect right to believe anything they want to about God. I reserve to myself the same right to believe and teach anything I want to about God, provided the results of what I teach are such that those who believe what I teach are drawn a bit closer to God, and are given a living reality of the closeness and nearness of God. That is the final test of any religious teaching anyway. If it does not transform human lives, making God real to those lives, the teaching, whatever it may be, is not of God.

I am not very much interested in whether what I teach upsets the former religious ideas of anyone. That does not enter into my picture at all. What I am interested in, and what I am *only* interested in, is that

the picture of God I bring, is actually doing good. It must be making God a Living Reality to men. It must be changing men's lives for the better. Its whole effect on the race must be for the better, or I shall not teach it.

Quite naturally there are hundreds of thousands who have been taught certain things about God in their childhood, when they were not old enough or experienced enough to reason these things out for themselves, to discover whether what they were being taught was true or false. And, quite naturally too, these good folks like I did, implicitly believed what their priest or Sunday-School teacher or pastor stated was the truth. There will be, and there must be, therefore, a great clash of opinion between those who teach the story of the deityship of Jesus or any other crucified god and myself. However, I repeat, I am not interested in that clash. This good lady in Pittsburgh, and the rest who were brought up under that story, have every right to believe it if they choose to. I shall not quarrel with them on that right. I shall simply do as I am doing now, and that is, I shall continue to tell men and women that what they were taught in their childhood about God being crucified on a cross, is, according to all the evidence available, absolutely untrue. It is nothing more nor less than an old pagan religious tradi-

tion to me, and I shall teach what I have discovered to be the *truth* about God, and shall continue to teach that *truth*, regardless of how many disagree with me, choosing to believe in a "crucified god" rather than in a Living Spirit of God.

This lady states that she believes that she is "saved by the blood of Jesus." Well—I might ask here from what is she "saved" in which case she would naturally tell me that all men, creations of God every one of them, are totally and horribly lost from birth on, doomed to eternal torment in hell-fire, unless they become "saved by the blood of Jesus."

That is what orthodoxy teaches. Many ministers have told me they do not believe that theory and never have believed it. Then all I can say to those good brethren is that if they do not believe that, and if they admit the falsity of that, what is there in their bible one can believe? For such is very definitely taught in the Christian bible. Can we, or are we supposed to take that which we choose to take and discard what we don't think is true? If so, is that not rather a shaky foundation upon which to build for the present and the future? For life is real—life is earnest—and the grave certainly is not the end of life. That thing called the grave is but the physical resting place of a body which will decay and rot and the worms will eat it up. So God and life certainly are real. The whole question to be decided is whether or not this good lady who believes, she says, that she has escaped hell-fire and damnation through "the blood of Jesus Christ" is holding to

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HOW THE POWER OPERATES ~

SINCE we gave to the world for the first time some ten or eleven years ago, the first real truths of God it had ever had given to it, millions, not thousands, but millions of letters have come to us. Most of these letters have asked questions about the Power of God or have reported to us the results of the application of that Power in their lives. Sometimes illness, incurable illness has instantly disappeared. We receive tens of thousands of letters telling of such happenings. Then again, other letters come asking additional help with the Lessons. These Lessons are so plainly written that we do not believe much additional help is necessary if the Student will read carefully and thoughtfully what I have written. Nevertheless, the truths we are giving to the world are so revolutionary, that for a time, at least, it is going to be necessary for me to print in the Weekly, additional information regarding the Power of the Great Spirit—God.

I shall make every article in this magazine quite informal I assure you. I shall speak truthfully, of course, and very plainly. But in and through everything I write, you will find the mystical, subtle, indefinable Power of God. And if you read carefully what I write, and if you ponder

on it, and apply it, you will find that it is more than sufficient to bring to you the knowledge of the fullness of the Power of God. And when that fullness becomes known to you, you will, of course, be an overcoming victor in life. You will have an abundance of Spiritual and material supply. You will live at peace with the world, your neighbors, and the divine Power of God will thrill and thrill you through and through.

A certain magazine writing me up, (maybe it was a newspaper—I don't recall now where the article occurred as so many are writing us up) had this to say—"this man is the greatest religious genius this world has ever seen." Well beloved, I am *NOT* a genius. I am just a simple human man, even as you are. If it has been given to me to reveal the Power of the Spirit of God to the world, I do not shrink from the task. I cannot tell why these revelations have been given to me of all men. That, I do not know. But I do know that they have been given to me, and therefore, I shall, and must give them out to you as fast as I receive them. A "genius" is only someone who can put into words, what others have thought, yet could not put into words themselves.

It has taken a lot of thought, a lot of agony of mind and soul, to bring me to the place where God can manifest through me to the world. But I do not mind that. For the flood-tide of Spiritual Power is now manifesting, and the dawn of a new day is here. The Spirit of God has begun its task of regenerating and rejuvenating this world, and the Movement of the Spirit of God is operating through the "*PSYCHIANA*" Movement here in Moscow, Idaho.

Now how does the Spirit of God manifest in human lives? Well, first of all, the human mind must be cleared of all false notions of God. It must forget those notions, regardless of how long they have been taught or how precious they are. If

they are not true, they cannot possibly lead to God. Therefore, it is necessary for all theories of "crucified gods" and "crosses" and "immaculate conceptions," etc, to be once and forever put away. They are not true stories, but are the human originations of some church or other. When they are all gone, then the mind is in a position to accept and find the actual and literal power of God. And, of course, no "crucified god" is necessary for that experience to come to anyone. We have no "crucified" god here in Moscow, Idaho. We have a *LIVING SPIRIT*, the very same Spirit which gave us life in the first place, and which day by day takes care of the continuance of that life.

According to those who teach the "cross" theory of God, we are living our lives on the highway to hell and damnation, unless we believe some story of God which some church organization brings to us. Well I don't believe God ever turned His highest creation, man, loose in any such manner as that. When, through time immemorial, man came from the hand of God, he came a finished product. He did *NOT* come, doomed to hell-fire or anything on that order. But just as long as such theories are held, why of course there isn't much hope for a man or much chance of that man ever finding God here and now, when he needs God most. This business of knowing God "above the sky" is all wrong. The only life we know anything about is the life we are living here. And that life never ends. It cannot end because the motivating principle of that life is God. And God is life and not death in any sense of the word. So then, shall we forget, first of all, the sad theory that the only place where we may know the fullness of the Power of God is "above the sky." If God can make His presence known "above the sky" and "after death" He can also make His presence known here and now.

At this point, let me ask you all to be sure that you have put out of your minds, once and for all, the theory that anyone ever killed God. Look upon God as a vital living

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Spirit of eternal *LIFE*. Living now. Living here. Living in you. Look upon God as being far too big for a handful of Roman soliders to kill. God is *SPIRIT*—a living vital *SPIRIT*. And no one ever saw a spirit, let alone killed one. How foolish that theory is when we come to analyze it. Isn't it? In the first place then, begin to realize that God exists in you, not only as your life, but as *YOUR ALL*. For if God exists, then he exists as perfect love, perfect wisdom, perfect peace, and perfect supply. And with the great Spirit of God living in you, *AS* you, do you not see how very little you can lack with the Source of all Power and supply *IN YOU*.

It is my work to make you acquainted with these facts. It is our work to find out how to put that Power of the infinite God to work for you. For the Power which is God absolutely is an active Power, and if you recognize its presence in you, *YOU CANNOT FAIL TO RECEIVE ITS BENEFITS*. The only way you can prevent the Spirit of God from making its presence and Power known in you, is to dishonor God by refusing to believe in His presence, or to believe some story of God which is not true. Or, again, to believe in another God, say some of the world's score of "crucified gods." If you believe in any of them, you cannot know the True God. This is the first step, and please work carefully trying to recognize the truth of what I am saying to you here. Keep still. Follow your Lesson exercises faithfully and I'll have more to say to you in the next issue of the Weekly.

Thank You

The response to this Weekly magazine was instant, gratifying, and came from all corners of the country. We appreciate it a lot. To bring to the human race a new picture of God, and a picture which is doing so much for human lives is a large undertaking. I do not profess to know very much about anything. But the Spirit of God seems to have chosen us to bring to the world the

True conception of the Deity, and as long as we are honored in this manner, we certainly shall do everything in our power to be true to the high calling which has come to us to do. We cannot personally answer all the letters received complimenting us on this magazine. We do not want compliments on it. We want it to be a medium through which the Spirit of God can manifest in human lives. For when that happens, and when men and women the whole world over discover Who and What God really is, this world's troubles will be soon over. As soon as the individual consciousness of God is made known to all men, this earth will be made a paradise. God has been waiting an opportunity to reveal Himself to man for a long time. Thank God the day is here and the Movement is here through which God can do that. We shall try to improve the physical appearance of the magazine, and please accept our thanks, all of you for your fine letters.

Talk "Psychiana"

One very effective way to spread this blessed work is to talk it wherever you are. You can drop the quiet word to those amongst whom you work if you care to. They will thank you for doing it, and may find God as a result of your efforts. Try it.

Indictment

Considerable numbers of Americans are reported to be seeking enlistment in the Canadian overseas forces, and not all of them give defense-of-democracy as their reason. Many say they cannot find work at home and that they want jobs, even if it is the job of killing.

It is not a pleasant thought. Nor is it a new thought in human history. Probably unemployment has been an important factor in most wars, as could be seen if we were able to untangle the tangled motives. But it is new to America, and shocking. We have a soil rich with treasures, money heaped in the banks

and buried in Kentucky caves, and machinery running at half speed. Our tradition is one of opportunity for youth . . . Yet here are our unwanted boys crossing the border to enlist under a foreign flag for a war across the Atlantic, because their hands cannot bear idleness, even if the alternative is handling a bayonet.—*Portland Oregonian*.

Don't Forget

Don't forget your affirmations, three times daily, against Stalin and Hitler. I shall remind you of this many times. For the spiritual Power of God which will be thrown against these men through you, can very effectively stop them dead in their tracks. The dictator does not live who can successfully wage warfare against the Spirit of God. But when that Spirit is *ACTIVELY* thrown against one, that man is in a dangerous corner. For God really is being put to the test. If I tell you the Power of the Spirit of God can bring the downfall of these two men, I am, literally and absolutely putting God to the test. And the Power of the Spirit of God will be true to those who believe in it. I wish every church-member in America, Catholic and Protestant would join us in this simple affirmation of faith in God. It would work wonders. Suppose you go to the local priest or minister and ask him to have his congregation cooperate with us in this. They might.

"SHALL WE KNOW EACH OTHER BEYOND THE TOMB?"

By Dr. Robinson

Would you like to know the answer to this question? Dr. Robinson in this book gives you the answer as he sees it. It is a very beautiful piece of writing on this subject of our loved ones who have gone on before to a far better world than this one is. This book costs \$1.00 and may be had from our International Headquarters in Moscow, Idaho.

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"Psychiana" is a Movement of the Spirit of God on the earth, and the aim of this Magazine is to assist "Psychiana" in making the Spirit of God a vital living Power in the lives of our fellow-men. The Movement is non-denominational. Its Members comprise adherents to every faith in the world. It wants to help them all. We have no "articles of faith" nor do we have creeds or rituals. We know man exists, and we know the Spirit of God exists. We know man can know the Power of the Spirit of God while on this earth, and through this Movement God is being made a Living Reality to men and women of every race and creed all over the world.

Whenever it is necessary, this Magazine speaks very plainly. Many traditions of "orthodoxy" are shown for what they really are. Whenever we find ancient myth and superstition masquerading as being of the Spirit of God, we bring the facts to the world, kindly but forcefully. We believe the Power of the Spirit of God is abundantly able to step into this desperate and discouraging world picture, and bring a permanent peace. To this end we are striving, and as the Spirit of God reveals Itself to us, we reveal It to others without fear.

Members of every church are cordially invited to come and find and use the Power of the Spirit of God with us. An infinite love for all is the motivating Power of this entire Movement. Through this Movement the Spirit of God is making Its presence known on earth.
The Editors.

Questions and Answers

Ques: You are trampling under foot the son of God, according to the Editor of the Sunday School Times in a recent blast against you in that paper. Doesn't that make you feel bad?

Ans: No. it doesn't make me feel bad. I wish I could trample under my feet the doctrine which teaches that "without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sins." That's a ghastly, insane, untrue religious superstition, as is every other religious superstition that teaches that none may know God except through "blood." I don't want it, and it doesn't make me feel bad. It makes me feel good to think that so many church periodicals are lambasting me. I must be getting somewhere. By the way, I answered those articles in the Sunday School Times, but was not allowed to have space in the Times with which to refute them. And that's but a sample of "Christian" justice or fairness. If the Editor of the S.S. Times will open up his columns for my answer, I'll guarantee to bring more men and women to a knowledge of the true God than all the Times subscribers have ever been able to do. Let's forget "the blood of the lamb" and let's find out how the Power of God can be used to stop the whole-

sale shedding of "human blood" on this earth here and now. The "crucified god" story is quite inadequate to do that because it teaches the shedding of blood, and therefore cannot be opposed to it.

Ques: I live in Oakland, Calif., and have been a member of a certain Baptist church for twenty-nine years. I have found the truths of God through Psychiana but I still keep up my membership in the——church. The pastor of this church says he knows for a fact that you are making a fortune out of Psychiana. My husband and I believe you are entitled to it if you are, but are you? Please tell us in a personal letter which we will keep secret.

Ans: I won't answer this letter by a personal letter, I'll answer it in the Weekly so that all can see it and know the truth. I hear that more times than I have hairs in my head. I'm supposed to be worth many millions of dollars, and I'm supposed to have made it all out of "the gullibility of the public" as one pastor stated. The facts are as follows, and they can be checked on by writing the Sec. of State for Idaho in Boise, Idaho. We operate under a State Religious Charter and no one connected with Psychiana ever makes one cent of either profits or dividends. The Movement does NOT make money. I imagine I have borrowed from banks and personal friends, more than \$100,000, all of which has been given to this Movement. If I had the money now, I could make this Movement grow ten times as fast as it is growing now, because I could send the Lessons to hundreds of thousands who want them, but who cannot help with the mailing and overhead expenses, and I cannot send the Lessons to those who cannot help. This makes my heart bleed often. But the day will soon be here when someone with money will give it to me and then we really shall be able to bring to this earth the liberating truths of God, and to all, rich and poor alike.

As far as my making a "million" goes, my salary is \$750.00 a month and I have to pay for some life insurance out of that. I give away, each year, to those who need it, more than the average man makes, and if I had a million dollars, I wouldn't have it very long I assure you. These statements are part of church propaganda, which, unable to refute what I say, attacks me personally. Well, if the story of Jesus Christ and the other "gods" is true, they crucified them, so why should I worry if they call me a "racketeer," etc. My Students, and those who read what I write know better than that. Tell your Baptist Pastor that I have refused time and time again, from 25 to 50 thousand dollars a year for my services in the business world. But I'm not interested. My work is bringing the truths of God to a Godless world, made Godless because of church teachings. Naturally I incur the enmity of the church. But the day will come when the church will welcome me with open arms. I might be too old then to do it any good. But we'll see.

Ques: I am a professor of history in—— College. Outside of the examples of prior "gods" I fail to find references to about 24 which you list in "Crucified Gods Galore." Where may I find these references?

Ans: Get hold of a copy of Sir Godfrey Higgin's Anacalypsis and you will find them all there. As a matter of fact in C.G.G. I gave references for every one of these "gods." The Anacalypsis was forced out of print but I happened to secure the two volumes and still have them under lock and key. The Church of England tried to murder those books but a few copies got out. You are not too far from Moscow so drop in some day and I'll show them to you.

Ques: In the new day when the whole world knows the God-Law as your Students know it, what will be the difference in the world? In what way will it change from what it is now?

Ans: In that day, nations and individuals will live in peace and harmony. They won't have a God "in the sky" but under the divine influence of the Spirit of God among them, they will soon learn the awful magnitude of the Power of God. There will be no illness, or if it comes, they will order it out. Death will be banished, and spirituality will progress at such a rate, that consciousness of the physical will go. Then will be the "perfect day of God." Then, God and man will be reunited, for there was a time when such a situation existed. These wars and crimes, etc., are all here because men and women do not know the Power of the present-existing God. They have been taught another god and this other God has been unable, of course, to do one single thing for humanity, just simply because he was a church-made god, and not a divine creation. The Roman Catholic church is directly responsible for the pagan ideas of God in the world today.

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A Binder

One thing the Weekly will do and that is to bind our Members together. It also will bind them closer to this Movement. A weekly message is far more to be desired than a three-monthly message as heretofore through the Quarterly. As Dr. Tenney has relieved me of a lot of personal Student correspondence, I am giving all of my time to the Weekly that we shall be able to do so much in the interests of humanity and the Realm of the Spirit of God. So, if you care to, give your copy of the Weekly away when you are through with it. It may lead someone to God.

Remember this Movement in your will. A bequeath form will be sent on application. You could not leave your worldly possessions to a better cause.

With Our... Students

Mr. W. L. Sibley, Palms, California:

Some time ago I wrote you for help in regard to my wife whom the doctors gave but two weeks to live. I brought her out here on the desert to die or get well—AND WE BOTH FOUND GOD. She is gaining rapidly, praise God. The God-Law is working in many ways for us, and you shall hear from us presently. Kindly regards to you and your mission.

Mr. Fletcher Owen, West Toledo, Ohio:

In answer to your request for a report on the case of streptococcus affecting the life of Mr. Herbert B. Leith for whom I had his family wire you for spiritual help, will say that your telegram to me was received by the Leith family on Friday, and he came home on Sunday, fully recovered. I am so delighted that I have no words to express my joy in being even instrumental in helping to save a life here in Toledo, and will be quite a help to the Movement for God here right at home.

Edna Cain, Portland, Oregon:

I sent you a special delivery the twenty-third of December asking for help

for my friend's husband. He seemed to have a stroke. and as he is a man eighty years old, everyone gave him up, and said he was through. A week ago Sunday he was back on the job, and his doctor was amazed at his rapid recovery.

Mrs. G. C. Riggs, East Helena, Montana:

"PSYCHIANA" is a great help to me. My health is better, my home life is happier, and our success is greater. My friends are amazed by the change in our lives. I am receiving many desires. My thoughts are for the good, and such I receive.

Mr. Leroy Craig, West Virginia.

I must tell you of my experience with the Power of the Living God the other night. My wife was suffering from an abscessed tooth. It was getting so bad that she was just about to the breaking point. I went over and sat on the bedside and laid my hand on her head, and right there I concentrated every power of thought I possessed on the Realm of the Spirit of God. In less than twenty minutes she was sound asleep.

Mrs. Bert Watkins, Austin, Minnesota:

Just a few lines to let you know of the great benefits we have received through the study of "PSYCHIANA." My wife's health is so improved that she now does all her work, and although the

doctors say she has a permanent heart injury, we feel that a complete recovery is possible. We have also had great changes financially. Two of our daughters have permanent employment, and the third one a job promised as soon as she graduates next June. They are going to help us finance the new home we have been planning for many years, but just couldn't get because of much sickness and a large family. The children are all studying "PSYCHIANA" and all go to our unit meeting every Sunday evening.

Mrs. Gladys Pigues, Mobile, Alabama:

I don't see how I have got along without "PSYCHIANA." It's food for the hungry; clothes for the unclad; health, happiness, and success. It's my everything.

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"GLEAMS OVER THE HORIZON" should be in the home of every man and woman who wants to know the actual truths of present-day religious theories. Much of what is credited to "God" does not belong there. Price \$3.00.

Don't forget, your main task is to make the Spirit of God real in your life, first. Then you can bring the same Power to others.



In the above gathering Dr. Robinson is speaking to more than 5000 people. Just as soon as we have the funds we want to cover the United States, having Dr. Robinson conduct Spiritual Awakenings in every large city. We believe that such an awakening would sweep this whole world, for it is being abundantly demonstrated that the Spirit of God is moving on the earth through "Psychiana" as it has never moved before through any religious Movement. When men and women discover that they can, actually and literally, "talk with God" here and now, they will flock to God as never before. This is, indeed, the greatest outpouring of the Spirit of God this world has ever known. You are fortunate in being a Member of such an organization.

Sorry ~ ~

In the first issue of the Weekly, we told you that we were mailing out 50,000 free copies, and that was our intention. We had ordered this amount printed. But subscriptions came in so fast, and the newspaper plant was so swamped that Mr. Marineau, the Manager, called up and notified me that the plant could not possibly get that number of copies out. So that number did not go out. As a matter of fact, we had to use what was intended to be the introductory issue as the first regular issue. This is very encouraging. It's rather phenomenal too. I just wanted to correct the statement that we were mailing out 50,000 free copies. Under the growth of this Weekly, and with the flood of subscriptions which are coming in, there will be no "free" or "complimentary" copies. We cannot do it. I would like to suggest that you call the attention of your neighbors to this Weekly, for without doubt it will open up an entirely new field of religious thought in the minds of thousands who have come to believe the world is in a completely hopeless condition. But it is not. All it needs, all it has ever needed is the true conception of God. It does not want a "crucified" god. It wants a *Living God*, and that sort of a God is the only one which can possibly save it.

These are days of momentous change. And the greatest change of all will be spiritually. For it is from the realm of religion the greatest change *must* come. The answer to the problems of this world lies in the realm of the Spirit of God. There is no other answer. Then, this being a fact, if we can get men and women to consider God a *living, vital Power*, freely available to all, we shall have done our duty in revealing God to man. For that is exactly *what* God is. A living, vital, potent Spirit. The cause of all life. The sustainer of all life. The ultimate end of all of us will lie in a complete understanding of the Power of the Spirit of God in every human life, here and now. This does away with the need of a "crucified god" existing some-

where "above the sky." That system of theology has been weighed in the balances and found wanting. It is not true. But there is a true conception of God, and it is becoming pretty generally known that we are giving that picture of God to the world.

We are poor instruments to do this, but we have been chosen, and so, shall be well able to bring to humanity the conception of God which can save it. So tell your neighbors about the "Weekly." Give them, or rather loan them your copy to read. It will grow itself if you will do this.

Put Out a Sign

Members of "*Psychiana*" are to be found in over 12,000 different cities, towns, and villages in the United States. According to this, there are very few hamlets, regardless of how small they are, where at least one Student may not be found. In some of the larger cities like Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, Pittsburgh, etc., the membership runs over 10,000 strong. Many Students are placing classified ads in the columns of the daily newspapers in their neighborhood, asking other Members of "*Psychiana*" to get in touch with them. They gather together. They get acquainted with each other. Then they set aside certain weekdays when they all gather at each others' homes, study the Lessons, and have a good time in general. I am very much in favor of this. Some of the gatherings are quite a size.

Now that the Weekly is out, the subject matter in each issue can be discussed and read at these groups. It will do an immense amount of good. There is something else we would like to have all our Members do, if they would care to. Have a nice sign made, say about 12 inches long by 6 inches wide, and have a signwriter paint on that sign the words—"Psychiana" Member. Place it on the outside of the house or wherever it will be seen.

Then, whenever this Movement is

mentioned, you can talk about it getting the name and address of the interested party, and send name to us. The Movement will grow as its individual Members take an active part. With 12,000 different cities, towns, and villages, this country is fairly well covered and a lot of good can be done for the Realm of the Spirit of God in each of these places. So then, won't you actively engage in this Movement of the Spirit of God on the earth, and sort of be our local representative in your respective locality?

In this way you will actually and literally be doing very much to bring in the day when the knowledge of the Power of the Spirit of God is known to all men. I am but one man. My load is very heavy. But you are legion. You can do far more than I can do—so won't you please? Thank you.

Gratitude

Here is a letter which was received from a Student in Jacksonville, Florida, on July 26th, 1939. You will see why we are deleting the name. We wish a few hundred of our Students would show their gratitude in a similar manner. They will, soon, I am sure.

"PSYCHIANA"

MOSCOW, IDAHO.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Here is a check to help you spread your Teaching. May God speed you in your good work. Thank you for help in response to a telegram I sent a short while ago. It works!

With best wishes
I remain,

A check for \$1000 was enclosed with this letter. The Spirit of God will be very richly present on this Brother Student, for it is impossible to help like this without being richly rewarded. A postscript is added which says: "I want it thoroughly understood that my name is not to be mentioned with the amount of the gift." For this reason, I am not using the name. If another Student would like to help me in this manner, I shall like to receive it for it will help me carry this message of the Power of God to the four corners of the earth.

One-a-day Club

Each Member of this organization is requested to send us in one name daily of those to whom he or she has spoken about this world-Movement. You will have no trouble interesting others when you tell them that this is actually and literally a Movement of the Spirit of God on the earth, and that it will be through this Movement that the Spirit of God will become fully known. We depend upon you for these daily names.

The Blood of Jesus

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a true or false philosophy. If her theory is true, she is all right, both here and hereafter. But what if she is incorrect? What if the story of the "deityship" of Jesus is but one in a long series of old religious traditions, all of which were born in Arabia, in a dark and long distant age, when the mind of man was, to say the least, highly susceptible to priestcraft and witchery and sorcery?

Suppose that this should be a fact? All evidence points to several definite things, and points to them unerringly. FIRST—the evidence is very conclusive that the entire Christian story of the crucifixion, virgin birth, resurrection, atonement, etc., of Jesus Christ was known to millions of people, with another crucified god, thousands of years

before the Christian religion was ever heard of. Now this in itself is very suspicious. Yet any large public library will give you these facts. Prior to the alleged time of Jesus Christ, religious tradition records more than 30 different "gods" and "sons of god" who "shed their blood to save the world."

Now I am not saying that any or all of these so-called "gods" ever existed. I do not believe that any of them ever did exist. And I believe the entire story of the deityship of Jesus Christ, in the setting of one of these "crucified gods" was borrowed in its entirety from the religion of the Hindoo. For this religion had every fundamental of the Christian religion 1400 years before Christianity was ever heard of. And so, knowing the structure of the Christian bible and the history of the Christian religion as I do know them, I cannot, no I cannot honestly believe the whole story to be other than one of a score of religious myths of antiquity. And I should be very glad at any time to submit to an unbiased audience the proof of this statement.

You see—it makes not very much difference to me how many people believe, or say they believe in the "blood of Jesus." I'm not so much interested in that as I am interested in whether or not that story is true. For if it is not true, millions are being deluded by it, and it's my job to "un-delude" them. If the story is true, it has not been sufficient to reveal God to this "believing" though dying world. For

there is little of the Spirit of God in the world today. Therefore, if "the blood of Jesus" is all we have on which to stake our present and our future lives, it is entirely inadequate for such a task. It was inadequate, or rather a similar story was inadequate in India. It was inadequate in Russia. It has been inadequate wherever the story has been told and in whatever form it has been told. It has not, and it cannot "save" anyone. Nor can "the blood of Jesus" or the blood of any other crucified god reveal God, as that Great Spirit *must* exist, to this world.

Many years ago, in my childhood days when I was searching so earnestly for God, I joined the Salvation Army. I pounded the big bass drum. And all through the week I longed for Sunday to come so that I could stand on the street corners in the little City of Belleville, Ontario, Canada, and tell people that I was "saved by the blood of Jesus." Well I knew that I wasn't anything of the kind. Yet there I would be, and scores more like me, telling others, under the flag of the Army, that I was "washed in the blood of the lamb" and all the time I knew nothing about "the blood of the lamb" and certainly no one had ever thrown any blood into a bathtub for me to get into.

Now I realize that "the blood of Jesus" is a figure of religious speech. But is it a true figure? That's what I want to know. Just because the Rev. Billy Sunday or Gypsy Smith, or Father O'Toole tells me it is true is no reason for my believing it. *I'm going to find out for myself.* The books Father O'Toole used should be available to me, and the story told by either Sunday or Smith should be capable of analysis and should be able to acquit itself quite well under such analysis. But it doesn't. For right at the very start, when I would like to believe in "the blood of Jesus" to my utter dismay and amazement I find that the story isn't even original. As I continue my investigations, I become so utterly disgusted with the fraud and sham and hypocrisy surrounding both the story and

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the church which preaches that story, that I cannot be honest and accept it. Nor can anyone else who uses his reason accept it either. Which throws the whole story back on the sentiment attached to it through childhood acquaintance with it. That's about all there is attached to it, and I say this kindly, honestly, and with a very fervent desire to bring all men and women to know the *true spirit of God, whose existence has been so abundantly proven through this Movement.*

For there is another picture of God, beloved, and this one hasn't any blood in it at all. There is a wideness in the grace and mercy of God which is as wide as the sea. And no blood can be found there. Had blood never been introduced by the church into religion, this world would have found God long ago. And when the last vestige of anyone's "shed blood" is entirely eradicated from all religious teachings, then, and only then can this world ever find God. You cannot believe in "the blood of Jesus" and ever find the Spirit of God. They do not go together. They are two entirely different stories having two entirely different traditions, while the other, the true picture of God is daily proving its merit and worth in the lives of thousands we know of, and is doing this without any of these blessed people believing in, the "blood of Jesus" or the blood of any other of the many "crucified gods" this world is supposed to have seen.

No—my fellow human beings—God cannot be found by the "blood" method. When I was a boy in Belleville, the good old Salvation Army was at the height of its power. "*Blood and Fire*" it had on its flag. Yet in spite of all the "blood of Jesus" and in spite of all the "Fire" of the Army, it is a decadent organization today with a few second-hand clothing stores where your cast-off clothing, which you gave them to give to the poor, is sold for cash. True, in some of the larger cities they still hold street meetings, but as far as being a *Power for God* in this world, well—it just isn't. Its theology could not even

make it successful. And the same story might be told of all denominations teaching the same story. The story is *not* sufficient to even make the organizations teaching it successful, and certainly, whether you like it or not, the world is fast casting off every system of religion which has any "blood" in it, regardless of whose blood it is. Yet, as I write this to you, this earth is bathed in the blood of human beings, and I can't help but wonder if these differing religions, all based on "the shedding of blood" might not have had quite a bit to do with bringing these ghastly world conditions about. I wonder.

God without the shedding of anybody's blood. Not even His own. That is far closer to the truth. And to this good lady in Pittsburgh I say—"keep on believing in the blood of Jesus if you must, but don't overlook the fact that God exists entirely outside of that story and of other similar stories." Those who care to say that they are "saved by the blood of Jesus" have that right. But they should remember that they are living in a world which is perishing for God. And they should be honest enough to note with interest that every organization specializing of "shed blood" is fast declining into oblivion. These organizations, absolutely cannot succeed in the light of modern times. Their conception of God is not winning men and women, while the true conception of God is winning them.

Do you know what I would like to see today my friend—I would like to see the Roman Catholic church, and the Baptist church, and the good old Methodist church come clean with the world. I would like to hear them tell the world that there is quite a bit of doubt of the efficacy of the "blood of Jesus" and the entire story, and I would like to see them all throw away every tradition, every ritual, every rite they have, and all stand together on the known fact of the present existence of the great spirit—God. I don't believe they will ever do that. They will fade away and die first. But they would have something defin-

ite and substantial to stand on if they were to do this, would they not? Only a fool will deny the existence of the Supreme God. Only a fool or a religious faker will tell you that while God certainly exists here and now, you cannot possibly become acquainted with God unless you believe in "the shed blood of Jesus." What has Jesus, or any other crucified god to do with the Great Invisible Power which actually is God?

What have the creeds, the rites, the observances, the rituals, the bibles of any church to do with the Spirit of God? These things are man-made ordinances just as sure as you are alive. And you cannot find God until you find someone who has been in contact with God, and who still is in contact with God. And you *cannot* either find or contact the Living Spirit of God through a bath of blood, with all due respect to the hundreds of thousands who say they believe you can. They only believe that because childhood church tradition told them to believe it, and not because they have either investigated or studied the whole thing out for themselves.

I feel supremely sorry for those who, halting between two opinions, choose to believe that God operates and makes His great Presence known through anyone's blood—god's or man's. I cannot accept that. It is time that such false religion and the false prophets who teach it be banished from the face of the earth, so that the earth might see—God.

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